ANNOUNCEMENT KCEC1 INVITATION NO. 3



United States Farm
Department of Service
Agriculture Agency

Kansas City Commodity Office Post Office Box 419205 Kansas City, Missouri 64141

Dated: May 24, 2001

TELEGRAM/TELEX/TWX 467094 EASYLINK 62140250 FAX NO. (816) 926-6381

ANNOUNCEMENT KCEC1, INVITATION NO. 3 EXCHANGE OF CCC-OWNED SUGAR FOR LIQUID SUCROSE FOR USE IN DOMESTIC PROGRAMS

The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) invites offers, subject to the terms and conditions of Announcement KCEC1, to exchange sugar stocks for delivery of liquid sucrose (STORAGE WILL BE PAID THROUGH THE DATE OF WIRE RELEASE, BUT NO LATER THAN THE DATE LISTED BELOW IN EACH OFFER):

	Delivery Location	Shipment Period	Storage (No Later <u>Than Date)</u>	Pounds of Liquid Sucrose
OFFER 1:	Krier Foods, Inc. Random Lake, WI Contact: Steve Ihrcke Phone: 414-355-5400 ext. 253	June 5 - 30, 2001 July 1 - 31, 2001	July 15, 2001 August 15, 2001	197,766 109,870
	(Choose lots from Exhibit A)	Offer 1 - Total Pounds	of Liquid Sucrose	307,636
OFFER 2:	Honee Bear Canning	June 5 - 30, 2001	July 15, 2001	250,400
	Lawton, MI Contact: Ron Armstrong Phone: 616-624-4681	July 1 - 31, 2001	August 15, 2001	125,200
	(Choose lots from Exhibit B)	Offer 2 - Total Pounds	of Liquid Sucrose	375,600
OFFER 3:	Cherry Central, Inc.	June 5 - 30, 2001	July 15, 2001	440,460
	Ludington, MI Contact: Dave Barger Phone: 231-946-1860	July 1 - 31, 2001	August 15, 2001	122,350
	(Choose lots from Exhibit C)	Offer 3 - Total Pounds	of Liquid Sucrose	562,810
OFFER 4:	Hi Country Corona, Inc.	June 5 - 30, 2001	July 15, 2001	25,040
	Corona, CA Contact: Pat Kelly Phone: 509-697-7292 ext.108	July 1 - 31, 2001	August 15, 2001	25,040
	(Choose lots from Exhibit D)	Offer 4 - Total Pounds	of Liquid Sucrose	50,080

OFFER 5:	Northland Cranberries, Inc. Dundee, NY Contact: Bill Warner	June 5 - 30, 2001	July 15, 2001	48,940
	Phone: 715-424-6636 (Choose lots from Exhibit E)	Offer 5 - Total Pound	s of Liquid Sucrose	48,940
OFFER 6:	Northland Cranberries, Inc. Mountain Home, NC Contact: Bill Warner Phone: 715-424-6636	June 5 - 30, 2001 July 1 - 31, 2001	July 15, 2001 August 15, 2001	24,470 48,940
	(Choose lots from Exhibit F)	Offer 6 - Total Pound	s of Liquid Sucrose	73,410
OFFER 7:	Veryfine Products Littleton, MA Contact: Mike Griffin Phone: 978-486-3522	June 5 - 30, 2001 July 1 - 31, 2001	July 15, 2001 August 15, 2001	356,809 470,163
	(Choose lots from Exhibit G)	Offer 7 - Total Pound	s of Liquid Sucrose	826,972
OFFER 8:	Roscoe Allen Corp. Random Lake, WI Contact: D. W. Harper Phone: 912-468-9540	June 5 - 30, 2001	July 15, 2001	65,922
	(Choose lots from Exhibit H)	Offer 8 - Total Pound	s of Liquid Sucrose	65,922
OFFER 9:	Cliffstar Corporation Dunkirk, NY Contact: Randy Fox Phone: 716-366-1459	June 5 - 30, 2001 July 1 - 31, 2001	July 15, 2001 August 15, 2001	1,247,006 40,226
	(Choose lots from Exhibit I)	Offer 9 - Total Pound	s of Liquid Sucrose	1,287,232

OFFERS DUE: 2:00 p.m., CDT, May 30, 2001

CCC will telephone notice of acceptance by: 3:00 p.m., CDT, May 31, 2001.

Contractors will offer for the sugar in the attached exhibits, designating the specific lots in the exhibit. Successful contractors will receive that sugar in exchange for the quantity of liquid sucrose awarded in each exhibit. Contractors must offer the full quantity of liquid sucrose at a specific location. (Example - Offer 1: 307,636 total pounds of liquid sucrose.)

In formulating the offer, the offeror should note that CCC-owned sugar will be received by the contractor instore, at storage locations specified in this Invitation under each exhibit. Delivery of the sugar by CCC shall be instore at the location specified in the contract. Contractor is entitled to the Processed Commodity Storage Agreement (PCSA) storage rate in effect at the time of wire release for a period of 60 days. Any difference between the quality and quantity surrendered by CCC and that actually delivered to the contractor by the storing warehouse shall be settled between the contractor and the storing warehouse.

Interested parties are advised to check with the storing warehouse regarding scheduling, quality, and location of refined or raw sugar. Interested parties are strongly urged to establish, prior to making an offer, the premium and discount schedules in case of quality or location discrepancies. Requesters must pay applicable charges to the storing

warehouse. Commodity delivered by contractor may be processed from the sugar supplied by CCC or from other sugar produced in the United States, as specified in the announcement.

Storage for the account of CCC shall be through the date of transfer of title as evidenced on the wire release which will occur when all proper documentation is received for each shipment period, BUT NO LATER THAN 15 BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE LAST DAY OF THE SHIPMENT PERIOD LISTED IN THE OFFER. The contractor shall be responsible for all charges thereafter.

Exhibits A - I contain a list of PCSA warehouse names and locations together with kind, quality and quantity of CCC-owned sugar to be exchanged.

The contractor will bid for a quantity of sugar from the attached exhibits, designating the lot, locations and quantity in exchange for the quantity of liquid sucrose specified in the offer. In formulating the offer, the offeror should note that CCC-owned sugar will be received by the contractor instore, at storage locations specified in this Invitation under the attached exhibits. The contractor must take complete lots with only one partial.

The content of an offer will include quantity and location contained in the exhibit in which the offeror is bidding. ONLY ONE EXHIBIT PER OFFER FORM.

CCC has the option to award less than quantity offered. Each offer will be analyzed independently. No offer will be contingent upon any other offer.

Any actual damages suffered by CCC resulting from any failure or refusal of contractor to perform, shall be for the account of the contractor. Such actual damages shall include, but not be limited to: storage and excess replacement costs.

3. SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

B. Where and When to Submit Offers

(4) Offers, modification, or withdrawals of offers must be submitted to:

Kansas City Commodity Office Attn: Bulk Commodities Division Bid Box - Stop 8748 P.O. Box 419205 Kansas City, MO 64141-6205

(5) Users of the various express delivery services are to address correspondence to:

Kansas City Administrative Office Attn: Bulk Commodities Division Bid Box - Stop 8748 6501 Beacon Drive Room G-42A Kansas City, MO 64133-4676

8. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

Add B. Quality Specifications White Liquid Sucrose

Color Clear to slightly straw color (35 MAX using USNC MOA 0001)

Percent Solids

(BRIX) 67.2 - 67.6 Using refractometer @ 20 degrees Centigrade

Percent Invert No more than 0.3 using Lane Eynon

Percent Ash MAX 0.025 using USNC MOA 0005

Ph 6.5 to 8.0 @ 20 degrees Centigrade

Sucrose Percent No less than 99.8 (dry basis)

Micro Standards Yeast / 10 grams solid < 10

Mold / 10 grams solid < 10

Mesophiles / 10 grams solid < 100

Using the National Soft Drink Association (NSDA) testing methods.

Delivery

Temperature Minimum 80 degrees Farenheit / Maximum 120 degrees Farenheit

General Must comply with all regulations under the Federal Food Drug and

Cosmetic Act, and be manufactured in accordance with Current Good Manufacturing Practices. The product shall not have a foreign taste or emit any objectionable odor in dry form or when a 10% solution is acidified to a pH of 2.5 with USP phosphoric acid and allowed to stand for 72 hours.

Density The weight per gallon at 67.4 brix shall be 11.10 pounds. Weight of solids

will be calculated at 7.48 pounds per gallon.

Add C. (1) Quality Assurance

- (a) The contractor must perform the product testing and quality analysis to ensure that the product analysis meets the specifications described in Section 10 B. The results must be evidenced by a Certificate of Analysis. The contractor must retain the Certificates of Analysis and furnish to USDA upon request. Contractors are required to notify KCCO immediately of lots that fail to meet contract requirements. Contractor to provide a copy of Certificate of Analysis with each shipment.
- (b) In the event a quality dispute occurs, CCC will request an independent accredited laboratory analysis be performed to resolve the dispute. The expense of this analysis will be for the account of the contractor.

Add D. <u>Liquidated Damages</u>

Compensation to USDA for Delay in Delivery

Liquidated damages for delay in delivery will be payable in accordance with Article 67 of USDA-1, and will be at the rate of \$0.10 per 100 pounds (net weight) per day.

9. **DELIVERY**

Add C. Contractor must contact the appropriate processor (listed in the offers) to schedule deliveries within the shipment period.

11. INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

- Add E. Documentation required by CCC must be submitted within 15 business days after each contract shipment period listed in the offer:
 - (1) Bill of Lading for shipment of liquid sucrose.
 - (2) Certificate of Analysis
 - (3) Delivery receipt at cranberry concentrate plant.

TELEX/TWX - 467094 - Answer Back is USDA CI

Easylink 62140250

Fax No. (816) 926-6381 or (816) 926-6767

Communications Center - Telephone: (816) 823-1012

CCC reserves the right to refuse to consider an offer if the Kansas City Commodity Office does not have adequate information to determine the responsibility of offeror, financially or otherwise. First time CCC bidders, should notify CCC prior to submission of an offer. All offers must be signed. In order to properly consider the offer, the following information must be in the offer:

- Announcement number, Invitation number and Offer number (if applicable)
- Offeror's complete name, address, phone number, facsimile number, and contact name
- Quantity

Retain one copy of the submitted offer form for your use. The envelope must be plainly marked:

"Do Not Open Until the Prescribed Time Per Announcement KCEC1, Invitation No. 3."

If overnight/express service is utilized, the above statement must be printed clearly on the outer express envelope, not the mailing label.

Additional blank copies of original offer form may be obtained from the Kansas City Commodity Office or duplication of attached offer form is permitted.

The time recorded by the Easylink system or facsimile machine in the Kansas City Administrative Office (KCAO) will be used to determine the time of receipt by CCC. OFFERORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TIMELY RECEIPT OF OFFERS. No offers, modifications, or withdrawals will be accepted by telephone.

Further information on the Announcement or this Invitation for Offers may be obtained by contacting:

Kansas City Commodity Office Bulk Commodities Division 6501 Beacon Drive Kansas City, MO 64133 Telephone (816) 926-6420

Richard G. DeVries Deputy Director

Enclosure

EXCHANGE OF CCC OWNED SUGAR STOCKS FOR LIQUID SUCROSE

UNDERSIGNED	OFFERS THE FOLLOWII	NG:			
FIRM NAME					
		FAX NO			
OFFER NO		EXHIBIT (One exhibit p	per offer fo	orm)	
PART ONE	- CCC-OWNED SUGAR T	TO BE DELIVERED (INSTOR	<u>E) TO OF</u>	FEROR:	
LOT NO	POUNDS	LOCATION(C			
		(C	'ity)	(State)	(Warehouse Code)
LOT NO	POUNDS	LOCATION			
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PART TWO) - CCC RECEIVES LIQU	ID SUCROSE FROM OFFERO	<u>)R:</u>		
QUANTITY	NE	T POUNDS OF LIQUID SUCR	OSE		
QUALITY					
SIGNATURE 1/		TITLE_ RTICLE 6 OF USDA-1, "SIGN			

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNOUNCEMENT KCEC1, INVITATION NO. 3, DATED MAY 24, 2001, THE

The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as amended. The authority for requesting the following information is 7 CFR, Chapter 14, 1496, Subchapter B and C. The information will be used to assess Bulk Grain Procurement Offers. Furnishing the requested information is required to be a responsive offer. Failure to furnish the requested information will result in a nonresponsive offer. This information may be provided to other agencies, IRS, Department of Justice, or other State and Federal Law enforcement agencies, and in response to a court magistrate or administrative tribunal. The provisions of criminal and civil fraud statutes, including 18 USC 286, 287, 371, 641, 651, 1001; 15 USC 714m; and 31 USC 3729, may be applicable to the information provided.

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To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410C(h)].

EXHIBIT A USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT <u>NUMBER</u>	TYPE	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2001	BEET	1,000,000	71004	MONITOR SUGAR CO. BAY CITY, MI	MONITOR SUGAR CO. JERRY COLEMAN 517-686-0161
2002	REF CANE	1,000,000	71007	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. SUGARLAND, TX	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181
2003	BEET	1,000,000	71016	MASON CITY DIST CENTER MASON CITY, IA	UNITED SUGAR CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2004	BEET	1,000,000	71018	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR MOORHEAD, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410

EXHIBIT A - TOTAL 4,000,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT B USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT <u>NUMBER</u>	TYPE	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STOR <u>CODE</u>	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2005	BEET	500,000	71021	SO. MN. BEET SUGAR COOP. RENVILLE, MN 952-896-0410	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER
2006	BEET	1,000,000	71012	GATEWAY WAREHOUSE INC. CLEVELAND, OH	THE WESTERN SUGAR CO. GARY ENGLAND 303-813-3528
2007	BEET	1,000,000	71017	UNITED SUGARS CORP. CHASKE, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2008	REF CANE	1,000,000	71034	HOLLY SUGAR HEREFORD, TX	IMPERIAL SUGAR PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181

EXHIBIT B - TOTAL 3,500,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT C USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT NUMBER	<u>TYPE</u>	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2009	BEET	3,000,000	71020	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR CO. EAST GRAND FORKS, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2010	BEET	3,000,000	71019	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR CO. CROOKSTON, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2011	BEET	2,000,000	71016	MASON CITY DIST CENTER MASON CITY, IA	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2012	REF CANE	1,000,000	71034	HOLLY SUGAR HEREFORD, TX	IMPERIAL SUGAR PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181

EXHIBIT C - TOTAL 9,000,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT D USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT NUMBER	TYPE	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2013	BEET	200,000	71000	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. TRACY, CA	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. PETER CAROTHERS 281-491-9181
2014	BEET	200,000	71001	SPRECKLES SUGAR CO. WOODLAND, CA	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181
2015	BEET	200,000	71002	SPRECKLERS SUGAR CO. MENDOTA, CA	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181
2016	BEET	200,000	71046	HAMILTON CITY WHSE. HAMILTON CITY, CA	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181

EXHIBIT D - TOTAL 800,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT E USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT <u>NUMBER</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2017	BEET	500,000	71020	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR CO. EAST GRAND FORKS, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2018	BEET	500,000	71019	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR CO. CROOKSTON, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2019	BEET	1,000,000	71055	MURPHY WHSE CO. FRIDLEY, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410

EXHIBIT E - TOTAL 2,000,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT F USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT NUMBER	<u>TYPE</u>	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2020	REF CANE	500,000	71006	SAVANNAH SUGAR REFINERY PORT WENTWORTH, GA	IMPERIAL SUGAR CO. PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181
2021	RAW CANE	2,000,000	71071	UNITED STATES SUGAR CORP. CLEWISTON, FL	UNITED STATES SUGAR CORP. KEITH COUSSEAX 863-983-8121 EXT. 2118
2022	RAW CANE	2,000,000	71068	SUGAR CANE GROWERS COOP. BELLE GLADE, FL	SUGAR CANE GROWERS BILL KRAMER 561-996-5556
2023	REF CANE	500,000	71008	COLONIAL SUGAR REFINERY GRAMERCY, LA	IMPERIAL SUGAR PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181

EXHIBIT F - TOTAL 5,000,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT G USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT <u>NUMBER</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2024	BEET	2,000,000	71014	AGROMAC INTERNATIONAL GERING, NE	THE WESTERN SUGAR CO. GARY ENGLAND 303-813-3528
2025	BEET	2,000,000	71023	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR CO. HILLSBORO, ND	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2026	BEET	2,000,000	71004	MONITOR SUGAR BAY CITY, MI	MONITOR SUGAR CO. JERRY COLEMAN 517-686-0161
2027	BEET	2,000,000	71024	AMER. CRYSTAL SUGAR CO. DRAYTON, ND	UNITED SUGARS CORP MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2028	REF CANE	2,000,000	71034	HOLLY SUGAR HEREFORD, TX	IMPERIAL SUGAR PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181

EXHIBIT G - TOTAL 10,000,000 POUNDS

EXHIBIT H USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT <u>NUMBER</u>	TYPE	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2029	BEET	1,000,000	71055	MURPHY WHSE CO. FRIDLEY, MN	UNITED SUGARS CORP. MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2030	BEET	1,000,000	71060	SCOTTSBLUFF FACTORY SCOTTSBLUFF, NE	THE WESTERN SUGAR CO. GARY ENGLAND 303-813-3528
2031	BEET	500,000	71061	BAYARD FACTORY BAYARD, NE	THE WESTERN SUGAR CO. GARY ENGLAND 303-813-3528
2032	REF CANE	200,000	71008	COLONIAL SUGAR GRAMERCY, LA	IMPERIAL SUGAR PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181
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EXHIBIT I USDA - FSA SUGAR CATALOG

LOT <u>NUMBER</u>	TYPE	QUANTITY (POUNDS)	STORA	AGE LOCATION NAME & ADDRESS	PCSA CONTRACTOR NAME, CONTACT & PHONE
2033	BEET	2,000,000	71004	MONITOR SUGAR BAY CITY, MI	MONITOR SUGAR CO. JERRY COLEMAN 517-686-0161
2034	BEET	2,000,000	71016	MASON CITY DIST CENTER MASON CITY, IA	UNITED SUGARS CORP MIKE FISHER 952-896-0410
2035	BEET	1,500,000	71013	WAGNER INDUSTRIES N. KANSAS CITY, MO	WESTERN SUGAR CO. GARY ENGLAND 303-813-3528
2036	REF CANE	2,000,000	71034	HOLLY SUGAR HEREFORD, TX	IMPERIAL SUGAR PETER CARROTHERS 281-491-9181

EXHIBIT I - TOTAL 7,500,000 POUNDS